

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A developing apparatus comprising:  
a developer bearing member for bearing  
developer;  
5 a spacer provided on a surface at an end  
portion of said developer bearing member along a  
longitudinal direction, for maintaining a constant  
gap between said developer bearing member and an  
image bearing member for supplying developer from  
10 said developer bearing member;  
a seal member for regulating leakage of  
developer toward the end portion of said developer  
bearing member along the longitudinal direction; and  
a developer scraping member provided at a  
15 portion overlapping with said seal member along the  
longitudinal direction of said developer bearing  
member, contacting said developer bearing member,  
wherein said developer scraping member contacts a  
surface of said spacer.  
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2. A developing apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein said developer scraping member contacts a  
whole abutment area of said spacer to said image  
bearing member along the longitudinal direction.  
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3. A developing apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein said spacer is provided nearer the

longitudinal end portion than said seal member.

4. A developing apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein said seal member serves to regulate a  
5 movement of the developer magnetically and is  
provided in a non-contact relationship to a surface  
of said developer bearing member along a  
circumferential direction of said developer bearing  
member.

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5. A developing apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein a notch is provided between a contact portion  
of said developer scraping member to said developer  
bearing member and a contact portion of said  
15 developer scraping member to said spacer.

6. A developing apparatus according to claim 5,  
wherein said contact portion of said developer  
scraping member to said developer bearing member is  
20 cut obliquely with respect to the longitudinal  
direction, and said contact portion to said spacer is  
cut in parallel with the longitudinal direction.

7. A developing apparatus according to claim 1,  
25 wherein said spacer is rotatably attached with  
respect to said developer bearing member.

8. A developing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said developing apparatus is mounted to a cartridge detachable to an image forming apparatus.